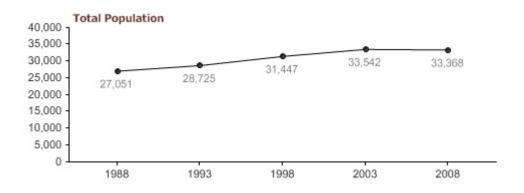
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Population

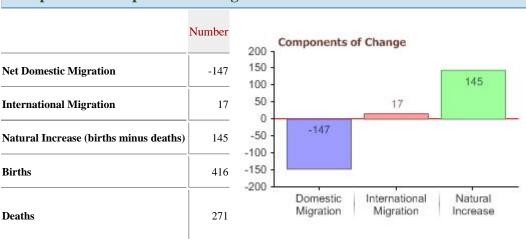
A region's economy thrives or dives because of the people who choose to live there. That choice may occur by being born there and desiring to stay, or a more deliberate one of choosing to relocate from somewhere else. Monitoring change in the size and movement of population is an important barometer of well-being. Some of us monitor these changes as an insect might gauge the shifting sands while most don't pay much attention. But the barometer is a good metaphor for population change since it can presage more notable events, such as lackluster business attraction due to lack of workers.

Population Over Time					
	1988	1993	1998	2003	2008
Total Population	27,051	28,725	31,447	33,542	33,368
Change Since 1988		1,674	4,396	6,491	6,317
Pct. Change Since 1988		6.2%	16.3%	24.0%	23.4%



Source: US Census Bureau

Components of Population Change 2007 to 2008



Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Age in 2007				
	Number	Pct. Dist		
Preschool	2,065	6.2%		
School Age	5,876	17.6%		
College Age	3,346	10.0%		

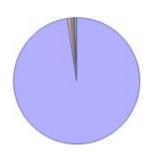
Young Adult	8,880	26.6%
Older Adult	9,025	27.0%
Older (65 plus)	4,258	12.8%

Source: US Census Bureau

Population	Estimates b	y I	Race and	Hispanic	Origin in 2007	
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	Number	Pct. Dist
American Ind. or Alaskan Native Alone	112	0.3%
Asian Alone	207	0.6%
Black Alone	236	0.7%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	8	0.0%
White Alone	32,652	97.9%
Two or More Race Groups	235	0.7%

Population by Race



97.86 %	White
0.71 %	Black
0.34 %	Am. Ind or Alaskan Native
0.62 %	Asian
0.02 %	Hawaiian and Pac. Isl
0.70 %	Two or More

Hispanic or Latino		
Non-Hispanic or Latino	32,477	97.3%
Hispanic or Latino	973	2.9%

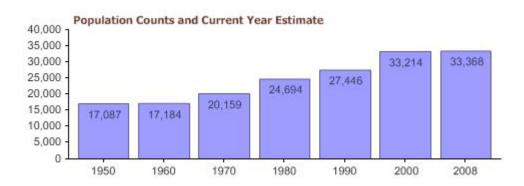
Source: US Census Bureau

Households in 2000				
	Number	Pct. Dist		
Total Households	12,738	100.0%		
Family Households	8,911	70.0%		
Married with Children	3,057	24.0%		
Married without Children	4,208	33.0%		
Single Parents	1,090	8.6%		
Other	556	4.4%		
Non-family Households	3,827	30.0%		
Living Alone	3,096	24.3%		
Average Household Size	2.62			
Average Family Household Size	3.74			

Source: US Census Bureau

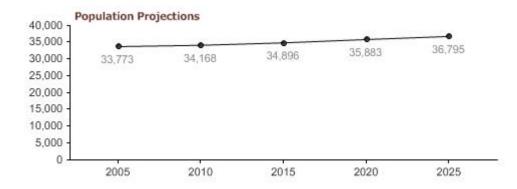
Population Counts by Decade and Current Year Estimate					
	Population	Numerical Chg.	Pct. Chg.		
1950	17,087	NA	NA		
1960	17,184	97	0.6%		
1970	20,159	2,975	17.3%		
1980	24,694	4,535	22.5%		
1990	27,446	2,752	11.1%		

April 2000	33,214	5,768	21.0%
2008	33,368	154	0.5%



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Population Projections								
	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025			
Population Projections	33,773	34,168	34,896	35,883	36,795			
Change Since 2005		395	1,123	2,110	3,022			
Pct. Change Since 2005		1.2%	3.3%	6.2%	8.9%			



Source: Indiana Business Research Center